

topic: **HOLIDAYS | Halloween**

*Fill in each blank space with the correct response. If both responses are acceptable, choose the one that sounds **more natural**:*

Halloween is (1)_____ (feasted/celebrated) on the last day of October. Many of its current traditions actually stem from (2)_____ (pagan/prehistoric) times.

One of the main Halloween traditions involves wearing (3)_____ (costumes/outfits).

Another popular tradition is called "trick-or-treating". This is when children who are dressed (4)_____ (out/up) in scary or funny costumes go around the neighborhood asking for candy.

Children come to someone's house, (5)_____ (sound/ring) the doorbell (or knock), and when someone answers the door, the children are supposed to say "Trick or treat!", which means they want candy :)

Halloween is not only for children. Many (6)_____ (adults/elders) celebrate this holiday as well, usually by going to parties.

Another popular tradition involves (7)_____ (carving/craving) a pumpkin (cutting out what's inside and making a face out of it).

After a pumpkin is (8)_____ (carved/craved), people usually place a candle in the middle to make the "face" (9)_____ (shine/glow). This pumpkin face with a candle inside is called a "jack-o-lantern".

In some parts of the English-speaking world, people light (10)_____ (bonfires/campfires), which are large controlled outdoor fires.

Many people (11)_____ (decorate/renovate) their front yards, back yards, and windows with all kinds of "scary" images like witches, ghosts, goblins, etc.

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ANSWERS:

1) celebrated 2)pagan 3)costumes 4)up 5)ring 6)adults 7)carving 8)carved
9)glow 10)bonfires 11)decorate